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1. it had been im- 25X1
possible to furnish suitable personnel for the new dispatcher
system in this district. Available personnel who ~~had the~~
necessary training in service control could not be spared [REDACTED] 25X1
for dispatcher training. ¹
2. Between 1 September and 1 October, the first instruction course 25X1
was to be conducted in the new dispatcher school of the RBD Berlin
in Berlin-Lichtenberg. The student body also included personnel
from other RBDs and RBAs. The dispatcher system was to be intro-
duced at the RBD Berlin on 1 October 1954. Necessary telephone 25X1
lines and offices were under construction. ¹
3. One floor of the headquarters building of the RBD Cottbus had to be
evacuated for the new dispatcher offices. Construction work started
there in late August. The evacuated offices were to be quartered in
a temporary building. ¹
4. On 9 August, it was learned that, in connection with the evacuation
of the Berlin-Marshorst offices which resulted in a reduction of
personnel of the Soviet High Commission (SHC), Soviet officers had
to be taken over by GDR ministries as advisors. The Ministry for
Railroads at Taubenstrasse, Berlin, had been assigned one general
and two other officers as advisors. ²
5. In mid-August, it was determined that Freitag, president of the
RBD Berlin, was temporarily detached to the ministry for Railroads.
Deputy Minister Aramer was on leave at that time, presumably in
Munich. It is noted that Deputy Minister Lindemann went on leave
at the same time. In Berlin RBD circles, it was believed that the
detachment of Freitag to the ministry for Railroads was permanent
and that Deputy Minister Lindemann would also not return to his
post, because the poor supply with construction materials for the
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1. Comment. The introduction of the dispatcher system after USSR pattern has been repeatedly reported. A diagram of the necessary telephone lines has been forwarded . In July and August, instruction courses were held in Erfurt, Eisenach, Altenburg and Leipzig. After mid-August, courses were also to be held in Berlin-Lichtenberg.
2. Comment. The officers mentioned allegedly are:
 General Voronichev, formerly chief of Section Transportation and Signal Communications with the SHC and who is now advisor for the Operations and Traffic, Construction and Investments, and International Affairs Sections.
 Colonel Tarazov, formerly chief of the Soviet transport office with the RBD Berlin, is now advisor for the Works, Cadre, and Political Administration Sections.
 One Tostish, former rank and position unknown, is now advisor for the Finance, Administration and Organization Sections.

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